



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(MBHB Case No. 100116)

In re Application of:)
Mikolas et al.)
Serial No.: 10/752,416)
Filed: January 6, 2004)
For: Micromachining by Chemical)
Mechanical Polishing)
Examiner: George Binh Minh Nguyen
Group Art Unit: 3723
Confirmation No. 3899

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - a. Response to the Office Action Mailed December 3, 2004;
 - b. Replacement Drawing Sheet;
 - c. Copy of the July 2, 2004 Information Disclosure Statement and PTO 1449 Form; and
 - d. Return Receipt Postcard.
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Respectfully submitted,

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